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In the Claims:

Claims 1-24 cancelled.

- 25. (New) A method to extend a personalized vehicle license plate having alphanumeric
   identification indicia thereon to additional issued license plates with the same alphanumeric characters, the method comprising:
  - adding additional, non-alphanumeric identification indicia selected from the group consisting of a dollar mark, a cents mark, an exclamation mark, a question mark, a lightning bolt symbol; and preparing to form the license plate with the alphanumeric identification indicia and at least one of said non-alphanumeric identification indicia thereon, thereby enabling a license plate issuing entity to issue more than one personalized license plate with the same alphanumeric identification indicia thereon.
    - 26. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein a non-alphanumeric indicia is a dollar mark.
    - 27. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein a non-alphanumeric indicia is a cents mark.
- 28. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein a non-alphanumeric indicia is a exclamation

  2 mark.
  - 29. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein a non-alphanumeric indicia is a question mark.

- 30. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein a non-alphanumeric indicia is a lightning bolt symbol.
  - 31. (New) A method to extend a personalized vehicle license plate to additional issued
- 2 license plates having alphanumeric characters, the method comprising:

preparing an alphanumeric identification indicia for a license plate;

- 4 adding additional, non-alphanumeric identification indicia to said alphanumeric indicia; and preparing to form the license plate with the alphanumeric identification indicia and at least
- one non-alphanumeric identification indicia thereon, thereby enabling a license plate issuing entity to issue more than one personalized license plate with the same alphanumeric identification indicia
- 8 thereon.
  - 32. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein a non-alphanumeric indicia is a dollar mark.
  - 33. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein a non-alphanumeric indicia is a cents mark.
- 34. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein a non-alphanumeric indicia is a exclamation mark.
  - 35. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein a non-alphanumeric indicia is a question mark.

- 36. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein a non-alphanumeric indicia is a lightning bolt symbol.
- 37. (New) A method to enable a vehicle license plate issuing entity to issue a personalized
   vehicle license plate having non-alphanumeric identification indicia thereon, the method comprising:
   selecting at least one non-alphanumeric identification indicia for the license plate; and
   preparing to form the personalized license plate with only said at least one non-alphanumeric
- 38. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein said at least one non-alphanumeric identification indicia is selected from the group consisting of a dollar mark, a cents mark, an exclamation mark, a question mark, a lightning bolt symbol.

identification indicia thereon.

- 39. (New) The method of claim 37, wherein said at least one non-alphanumeric indicia is a dollar mark.
- 40. (New) The method of claim 37, wherein said at least one non-alphanumeric indicia is a cents mark.
- 41. (New) The method of claim 37, wherein said at least one non-alphanumeric indicia is a exclamation mark.

- 42. (New) The method of claim 37, wherein said at least one non-alphanumeric indicia is a question mark.
- 43. (New) The method of claim 37, wherein said at least one non-alphanumeric indicia is a lightning bolt symbol.